## Exhibit 13

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May 10, 2006

Adam M. Sokolski Project Manager **Energy Facility Permitting** 85 7th Place East, Suite 500 St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2198 651-296-2096

Attachment D

### Dear Mr. Sokolski;

I wish to express a concern regarding the proposed placement of the four PPM wind turbines that are to be sited directly West and North of our present generating facility located in SE quarter section 31 Drammen Township, Lincoln County, Mn. I believe that placing such large turbines within 2,000 feet of our existing turbines would adversely affect the production of the current turbines Salty Dog 1, Roadrunner 1, Windy Dog 1 and Wally's Wind Machine. None of the four current LLC owners were notified of the public hearing which is a concern to us since the proposed projects directly adjoin present sites and would have an adverse effect on production and total revenue. Since these are going to be taller towers with larger rotor diameters, we believe the set backs should be of a greater distance.

Thank you,

Wayne Hesse

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### Exhibit 15

# Dear Mr Adam Sokolski:

I am concerned about the four wind generators that PPM sited on the preliminary Site map that was provided to the Mr. Dept of Commerance in Section 31 of Dramman Twp, Lincoln Co. These gonerators will adversaly affect the production of an existing wind park in the SE \$ Section 31, Drammer Twp. The most preferred action would be to remove two of PPM's wind generators A directly west of turbine #2, Salty Dog I 2LC and the other directly North of turbine #3 Road runner I LLC. Thank you

MAY 16 2006

Jerry Schwarzrock 23504 631st Ave Gibbon, Minn. 55335 Dear Mr. Adam Sokolski:

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### Exhibit 16

My feeling about the four Windgenerators

Sited by PPM on the Preliminary Site map
that was provided to the Mn Dept. Of Commercance
in Section 31 of Drammen Twop, Lincoln Co, Will

greatly affect the production of the windfarm
located in the SE 1/4 of Section 31, Drammen Two.

The preferred action would be to remove two of PPMs' WTG's from Section 21. The WTG sited directly. North at WTG#3 Roadrunner ILLC, and the WTG sited directly West of WTG#2 Salty Dog ILLC.

Thank you:

Paul Schwarznock 252 E 12th 5t. Gibbon, MU. 55335



### MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

#### State Historic Preservation Office

May 22, 2006

Mr. David Birkholz Project Manager Dept. of Commerce 85 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 500 St. Paul, MN 55101-2198

Re:

PPM Energy, Minndakota Wind Project

Construction of a Large Wind Energy Conversion System

Lincoln County

SHPO Number: 2003-3240

Dear Mr. Birkholz:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the above project. It has been reviewed pursuant to the responsibilities given the Minnesota Historical Society by the Minnesota Historical Sites Act and the Minnesota Field Archaeology Act.

We note that Section 5.6 of the permit application indicates that a cultural resources survey of the project area will be completed. We look forward to reviewing the results of that survey.

Contact us at 651-296-5462 with questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Gimmestad

Government Programs & Compliance Officer

cc:

Tim Seck, PPM Energy Sarah Emery, HDR



May 25, 2006

Exhibit 18

MAY 25 2006

Dr. Burl Haar Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350 Saint Paul, MN 55101-2147

RE: PUC Docket No. PT6530/WS-06-157

Dear Dr. Haar,

PPM Energy, on behalf of MinnDakota Wind LLC, appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Draft Wind Site Permit (Draft Permit).

The Draft Permit indicates that the permittee is PPM Energy. The permit should instead be issued to MinnDakota Wind LLC (MinnDakota). MinnDakota is currently a whollyowned subsidiary of PPM Energy. (Cover page and L Site Permit)

MinnDakota suggests a few changes to the Project Description. The description of facilities should be broadened to include: a project substation, an operation and maintenance facility and a permanent meteorological tower. In addition, it should be clear that the proposed feeder lines will be aboveground and/or underground. (II. Project Description).

The market for wind turbines is extremely volatile. To complete the project on schedule and within budget, flexibility to secure turbines from any of the major manufacturers is needed. Currently, the most likely turbine to be used at the MinnDakota site is the GE 1.5 MW turbine with an 80 meter tower and 77 meter rotor but there is a chance this could change. As a result, MinnDakota is seeking a permit that allows the flexibility to use a range of turbine types and sizes. Therefore, MinnDakota proposes that the reference to GE turbines should be deleted. (Section II. Project Description). The Draft Permit also limits the tower height to 262 feet or 80 meters above grade. MinnDakota requests that the allowable tower height be raised to 345 feet or 105 meters above grade. This would allow for a wider array of turbines to be used at the site. (Section III, E. Site Layout Restrictions, 1. Wind Turbine Towers).

MinnDakota seeks a clarification that it will be responsible for meeting the current MPCA noise standard of 50 dBA and not possible future more restrictive noise standards that could require moving the location of a wind turbine. It is not practicable for

MinnDakota to move the wind turbines after they are constructed. (Section III, E. Site Layout Restrictions, 3. Noise).

The Draft Permit states that the permittee shall place feeder lines in public rights-of-way if a public-right of way exists or on private property. MinnDakota requests that the preference for placing feeder lines in the public rights-of-way be deleted. MinnDakota's preference is to place aboveground feeder lines on private property immediately adjacent to public rights-of-way or along property lines or other appropriate existing corridors that minimize disruption to the existing land use. (Section III, E. Site Layout Restrictions, 8. Feeder Lines).

The Draft Permit states that within 24 hours of an occurrence the permittee shall notify the PUC of extraordinary events including kills of threatened and endangered species, discovery of large numbers of dead birds or bats, etc. MinnDakota suggests the word "known" be inserted in front of occurrence in the first sentence of this section (Section III, H. Reporting, 3, Extraordinary Events).

The Draft Permit states that within 60 days after the completion of construction, the permittee shall submit the as-built plans and specifications. MinnDakota seeks clarification that what is required are the as-built plans and specifications of the locations of the wind turbines, access roads, project substation and the operations and maintenance facility (if located in Minnesota), not the specifications of the individual turbine components themselves. (Section III, I. Final Construction, 1. As-Built Plans and Specifications).

Finally, in the sixth paragraph of Exhibit 3, there is a prohibition on construction if rain is forecast during the next 3 days. In addition, the next sentence states that construction should not begin until the entire project can be completed with delay. MinnDakota suggests that the word "instream" be inserted before construction in each of the sentences (Exhibit 3, Best Management Practices for Topeka Shiner Habitat Protection-MDNR).

PPM Energy, on behalf of MinnDakota, appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Draft Permit. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-917-9285 or timothy.seck@ppmenergy.com if you have any questions or if I can provide additional information.

Sincerely,

Tim Seck

Manager, Wind Project Development

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